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M. D. KELLY, WPB Priorities Analyst, Tells The Chicago

SOGES Chapter What They Should Know About This Vital Subject

TERMINAL and sub-terminal grain handlers and processors—which includes grain, seed and flour mill elevators, cereal and feed manufacturers, soybean and linseed processors, corn refiners, maltsters, brewers, distillers, etc.—all come under WPB's P-100 A-10 classification for the purposes of rating the purchase orders on which this industry may obtain repairs and replacements in relationship to other industries with either higher or lower ratings.

Unfortunately there is a lot of misunderstanding about the worth of the P-100 A-10 priority rating; some complaining that it is of no value in obtaining needed purchases, and others relating that suppliers refuse to release supplies unless a higher priority is obtained. Until recently suppliers in turn passed on their accumulated priority numbers to the manufacturers from whom they buy—and the higher the sum total thereof the quicker their own stocks could be replenished. During the present quarter, however, the available stocks have been allocated on the basis of previous purchases, so today your supplier has no "low-priority rating" excuse not to sell you.

If the house from which you buy has the items you need then your A-10 rating is plenty high, and while some of the supply houses still are laboring under a misapprehension on the desirability of trying to force prospective buyers to get and give them as high ratings as they can obtain, nevertheless they cannot refuse to fill your order on your A-10—for your A-10 rating in reality is a Defense order rating. True, it is not as high as an AA-1 or an AA-2 or an AA-2X, but it is high enough.

Use PD-1A Rating for Capital Equipment Purchases

IN purchasing capital equipment use the PD-1A form of application for a rating which has been assigned to this industry. This will get you practically everything you must have.

Hence with the P-100 for repairs and replacements, and the PD-1A for capital equipment, there is no reason why grain handling and processing plant operators should be delayed whatsoever in obtaining the items they must have to maintain an efficient "second" front here at home.

July 1st the Controlled Materials Plan will go into effect. Under this new arrangement maintenance and repair supplies will be provided for in CMP-Regulation 5, and critical aluminum, steel and copper for new construction will be regulated by CMP-4C. This Controlled Materials Plan divides industrial requirements into these groupings: (1) war goods, (2) industries essential to the pursuance of war, and (3) all others.

The first group will get an AA-1 rating, the second an AA-2X, and the third an A-10. But either before or after this new plan becomes operative your industry is urged to contact your district Priorities Office in case of a breakdown or a pending breakdown. Emergency repairs are promptly handled by specialists in each District

WPB Priorities Office on special rating forms which do not require clearing through Washington.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

FRANK A. JOST, JR., R. A. Gerstenberg & Company: Are suppliers just demanding higher ratings from us to protect themselves on replacements?

Answer: Yes; however, now the jobber does not have to worry about your A-10 rating as a factor in replenishing his stock, so don't let them tell you differently. We have men out contacting the suppliers on this point, but have not been able to enlighten all of them as yet—and perhaps some are clinging to their original impressions on how best to restock their own shelves. Your supplier files a PD-1X form and gets a rating high enough to purchase everything from *his* wholesaler that *you* will need. Remember, if your jobber has the item you need in stock, he cannot refuse to sell you on your A-10 order.

E. A. JOSEPHSON, Albert Schwill & Company: If the fan on the drying shaft breaks down right when we have \$100,000 of malt in process, can we get replacements without high emergency ratings and without waiting?

Answer: High emergency ratings are not needed in cases such as this. Just contact the Emergency Section of your WPB Priorities Office and they will give you every assistance in getting what you need and immediately.

GORDON LAUGEN, Archer-Daniels-Midland Company: Is the P-100 good for barrels and similar material or supplies?

Answer: No; no shipping supplies are covered in P-100.

EMERY KOVACK, Pratt Food Company, Hammond: Then what application for a rating form is needed to obtain shipping materials?

Answer: A PD-1A, and we recommend that you keep a 60-day stock on hand at all times.



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ED JOSEPHSON: What about electrical wiring and this class of supplies?

Answer: A PD-1A will take care of this.

WILLIAM T. HUSBAND, E. R. Bacon Grain Company: Since the PD-1A enters into our picture with the importance it does, will you kindly tell us how to complete the seven questions asked for?

Answer All Questions on PD-1A Form

Answer: Please remember this is a form designed to cover many industries and many situations. In 90% of your cases the questions asked doubtless have no bearing on the situation. I would recommend, however, that even though most of the answers are covered by the word "none"—you will get better results if you answer every question. I also recommend you write a letter of explanation, detailing urgency of the need so that the man who must pass upon your application will understand the situation, and I'm sure you will have no trouble in obtaining their approval on the items you deserve to get. Be sure you make a separate application for each class of material, or each class of product.

BILL HUSBAND: What about this "end use" symbol requirement? The last interpretation we had cut our industry down to a DP, but on motor repairs they aren't satisfied, so we had to dig up another symbol.

Answer: Prior Regulation 10 has been revoked. However, the steel and copper Divisions still require the "end use" symbol. Get a copy of M-21-B relating to the use of steel. Use the group classification certification shown. The copper situation is a little more difficult to cope with, so I would recommend giving your old symbol and end-use classification number. May I suggest getting a copy of PD-123 and using the "end-use" symbols and numbers shown on the reverse side?

MARK I. KAPLAN, Laval Rubber Company: Is an end-use symbol needed in the purchase of fabricated rubber items?

Answer: M-15-B covers this. No end-use is required.

BILL HUSBAND: Under the Controlled Materials Plan, will there be any change in the position of our industry?

Answer: We don't know as yet, but you may be accorded a higher rating than you now enjoy, based upon what your industry required in 1942.

BILL HUSBAND: Is any weight accorded the fact that most elevators hold CCC (Government) contracts?

CCC Contracts Allow Purchases of Critical Materials

Answer: Rated business done with government agencies can be recorded and 10% of the value of those orders

is allowed in obtaining replacements, maintenance, repair and operating supplies—based upon cost only. If, for instance, you hold a \$100,000 government order which costs you \$90,000, you may use \$9,000 for repairs and maintenance. However, only 2½% of the \$9,000 can be used to purchase critical materials.

BILL HUSBAND: Then it looks to me as though the grain trade were out of luck, because we are in between the country elevator and the processor.

Answer: If we of WPB can get the supplier straightened out a lot of your troubles will disappear.

GORDON LAUGEN: What about needed lumber? How do we get that?

Answer: Order lumber on a blanket rating on M-208 AA-3 or AA-4 for maintenance and repairs.

FRANK JOST: Do I understand correctly in that if we cannot obtain what we must have to continue uninterrupted operations, WPB will intervene?

Answer: That is correct. And we will make arrangements with your association to have copies of this order M-208 mailed to you.

LOUIS RENDELL, Pratt Food Company, Hammond: What about car puller rope?

Answer: This may be obtained on an emergency rating order.

WILLIAM HENRY RADKE, Corn Products Refining Company: What about washrooms for an increased ration of women employees?

Answer: This comes under added facilities, regardless of whether a replacement or not. Your WPB office will advise you on the procedure necessary in each justified request you make.

It would be well to remember to file a PD-200 form if you can anticipate your new construction requirements. This is a coming factor of growing importance.

Guests attending included: Lloyd Forsell of Albert Schwill & Company; Emery Kovack, Pratt Food Co., Hammond; Felix Schwander and Frank Stafford of R. A. Gerstenberg & Co., and George Schaeffer of B. A. Eckhart Milling Co. Vice President Gordon Laugen acted as secretary and President Ed Josephson presided at this most lively and well attended meeting, from which everyone carried a lot of helpful information away with them.

CMP Gives Higher Rating

The new Controlled Materials Plan Regulation No. 5 released Feb. 9 and effective March 31, provides a higher rating to the wheat flour milling industry for obtaining repair and maintenance supplies.

ADVISE YOUR SUPPLIERS NOW ON WHAT YOU'LL NEED

Advise your suppliers TODAY of the amount of repair and maintenance parts you will require during 1943, states an order from the Grain Products division of the Food Administration. Grain and feed interests and food processors are all included.

It is urged that estimates be given to your suppliers covering the first 6 months of the year IMMEDIATELY. Then on or before March 1, your estimates for the second 6 months must be given. Needs of recent years may be used as a basis, including parts which will likely wear out soon.

By sending these estimates to your suppliers you are NOT placing actual orders nor requesting any priorities, and you will not be bound to purchase items listed in your estimates. This request for estimates to your supplier does not change your procedure for obtaining priorities for equipment. Form PD-1A must be used to obtain priority for equipment.

Sec'y of Agr. Wickard further advises placing orders now for equipment needed for approved new plant facilities, and to take immediate action to keep supplies of maintenance and repair parts at a normal level. Included on this list are: boilers, blowers and fans, compressors and vacuum pumps, conveying equipment, control instruments, electric motors, generators and starters, valves and fittings, machine tools and industrial equipment, etc.

WPB REVISES MAINTENANCE, REPAIR DEFINITIONS

A revised definition of what constitutes maintenance and repair is contained in an amendment to Conservation order L-41, effective immediately. The new definition specifically designates that where a single job is partly maintenance and repair and partly new construction, the whole project will be considered new construction and subject to Order L-41.

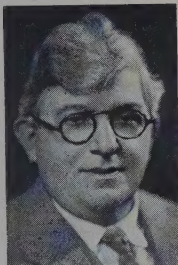
In addition the amendment reduces to \$200-\$5,000 new construction which may be undertaken without specific authority where not essential to the war program. Structural alterations or changes cannot be included as maintenance and repair. Certain types of agricultural construction is exempted, with WPB permission.

MINIMUM WAGE 40c AN HOUR

Forty cents an hour is the minimum wage fixed for the grain products industry by the Wages & Hour division, effective March 1. Not included in this order is commercial grain warehousing done apart from processing plants.

No Motors Available

Electric motors and generators are unavailable unless you have an AA-5 rating or higher, states WPB.



Joe Schmitz, Chicago's Chief Weighmaster, will address Supers Mar. 2.

War Manpower Commissioner McNutt Defines "War Job"

"A war job does not mean merely a job in aircraft or ships, ordnance, or ammunition," Paul V. McNutt, Chairman of the War Manpower Commission, states. "Essential civilian activities are on an equal plane with basic war industries in our war effort. Registrants engaging in such essential civilian activities are equally protected with respect to occupational classification and dependency status as those engaged in basic war industries."

Must Show Records

The Secretary of Labor has authority to subpoena employment records without first showing the act applies to the employer, states a U. S. Supreme Court decision indicating one cannot successfully resist a Wage & Hour Division inquiry on the ground that a company is not covered by the act.

Union Must Pay

Union shop steward's time in investigating or handling grievances should be paid for by the union, not the employer, states a recent decision.

Must Represent Majority

Even the existence of good faith upon the part of the employer in making a contract with a minority of employees does not exonerate him from charges of violating the Wagner Act, according to a recent decision suggesting that one cannot enter into a closed-shop contract with a union unless the union represents a majority of one's employees.

Chet Alger's Son Receives Commission

Robert James Alger is now a Second Lieutenant in the Quartermaster Corps and Ordnance Division, and is Papa Chet Alger proud? Bob, who has attended some of the Chicago SOGES meetings while in the grain department of Corn Products Refining Co., was just home on furlough and his Mother, too, was thrilled with his accomplishments.

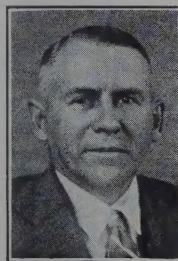
Entering the Army a year ago as a Private, Bob rapidly advanced to Private First Class, Corporal and, later, Technical Sergeant. He just graduated from Officers Training school at Camp Davis, N. C., and doubtless will continue going up. "Give 'em hell for all of us, Bob, and good luck!"

Hackney to Pillsbury Superintendency

P. S. Hackney was recently appointed super of the Pillsbury Flour Mills Co.'s terminal elevator in Wichita, Kan. He has been with the company for about 15 years. "I've come up the hard way," he says modestly in answer to our query, "but I think it the best way after all."



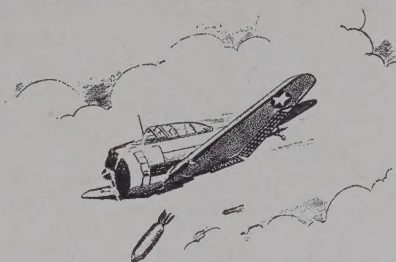
Clarence Bach, Twin City Trading Co., Minneapolis Chapter Prexy.



Clarence Turning, SOGES Safety Contest Director, was feted by Minneapolis Sups.



Jack Gibson, Hallet & Carey Co., Ltd., Fort William, suggests California convention.



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SUPERINTENDENTS TOO BUSY FOR CONVENTION THIS YEAR

"NO convention this year!" That is the edict of the executive committee of the Society of Grain Elevator Superintendents, according to a poll taken and just announced by President Gilbert P. Lane, Plant Manager of Arcady Farms Milling Company, large feed manufacturers of Riverdale, Ill. "The widely diversified membership of our association includes every type of larger grain handling and processing plant from cereal, starch and soybean to malt, brewery, distillery, etc., consequently our wartime problems have multiplied immensely. Nevertheless, we wish to co-operate with both the Canadian and American governments in reducing travel and hotel congestion. As needed as our technical discussions are, we also feel our employers who have supported us so majestically in the past will likewise reluctantly endorse this regrettable postponement."

With a membership extending from coast to coast and from northern Canada to the Gulf, the directors may still decide that they should at least call a meeting of the executive committee, which includes the heads of the association's active Chapters located in both terminal and sub-terminal market areas. "While most of our progressive group feel they are far too busy to spare the time at the moment," points out President Lane, "we might find it possible to convene in Chicago in the usual lull spot most of us have around the middle of June. We possibly might be enabled by that time to hold our usual helpful convention. We'll see."

Considering the long distances a great many members must come to attend the Society's conferences and the possibility of having to stand up all the way on the going and returning journey, to say nothing of the fact that hotel accommodations are next to impossible to obtain in the convention city selected—Chicago—there is a likelihood of moving the executive committee meeting to some other centrally located but less congested city such as Milwaukee, Decatur, or Cedar Rapids. "Perhaps such a move would enable us to hold our convention for all at some one or another

point if the war-time pressure under which we are all working subsides a trifle before the new harvest snows us under again," President Lane writes members. "At least we are working on the proposal and hope to be able to advise you through this publication of our decision shortly."

WON'T LOSE OUT AGAIN

Am sorry I was unable to go to the Omaha convention, as I had planned, for I enjoyed the previous convention at Minneapolis very much and know I would have derived an equal amount of profitable ideas.—M. M. Darling, Gold Proof Elevator, Louisville, Ky.

WILL ALWAYS REMEMBER OMAHA

WE HAD a very enjoyable and profitable time at the Omaha convention, and this voices the same thought for Mrs. Brand. We believe everyone appreciated the hospitality accorded the visiting ladies by the gracious Omaha Grain Exchange.



Personally, we think a good convention is one headed by an aggressive Chapter group supported by the owners and operators, who plan and carry out all the myriad of details, and we wish to express our most sincere thanks for the efforts of all those making the wheels go 'round at all of the conventions we have been privileged to attend.—H. C. Brand, Quaker Oats Company, Cedar Rapids, Ia., Vice President, SOGES.

ALL WANT CONVENTION

"We here in Omaha-Council Bluffs vote to hold the SOGES convention as planned. You can count on us being there," writes John T. Goetzinger, Rosenbaum Brothers, chapter sec'y. "We think just about all of our members here will attend, for feeling is running high on the need for this timely conference. There are countless problems to be thrashed out during this war."

Paul Christensen of Minneapolis, and Vincent Blum, newly appointed super at the Omaha Elevator Co.'s plant attended this chapter meeting.

Millers' National Federation to Meet

Convention plans of the Millers' National Federation call for a meeting April 27-29 at the Edgewater Beach hotel, Chicago.

LIKES ROUND-TABLE TALKS

The Omaha convention, in my opinion, was one of the best we have had, although I believe we should take time out for two or three round-table talks instead of only one. I think there is more knowledge gleaned from one round-table than from ten speakers outside the business.—Ed. J. Raether, Sampling Department Manager, Chamber of Commerce, Minneapolis, SOGES director.



Convention Needed More Than Ever

When have our responsibilities been greater, both to our employers and to our country? When have we so needed the stimulating contacts which our SOGES conventions have always afforded? When have we had more problems—new and old?—Harold Wilber, A. E. Staley Mfg. Co., Decatur, Ill.

HOPES FOR "YES" VOTE

I do hope that the SOGES Directors will favor holding our usual helpful convention in the vote now being taken, as I'm sure many here feel it is vitally important. The war has added to our responsibilities and government activities have increased our problems. So considering how valuable our conventions have been to our firms and ourselves in the past, the current situation multiplies the importance of this much looked forward to conference.—Edward E. Frauenheim, Jr., Buffalo (N. Y.) Forwarding Corp.

NFPA to Meet in May

A "Wartime Fire Protection Forum" is being called by the National Fire Protection Association on May 10-13 in Chicago.

DISAPPOINTED HE MISSED

I was very disappointed that I was unable to join the members during the recent convention at Omaha, but circumstances beyond my control made that impossible. By all accounts, it was the best convention yet.—Ralph



Hetherington, General Manager, Canadian Government Elevators, Fort William.

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What a mouthful Percy Poulton spoke when he said this game was a headache the past year, what with wet grain, inexperienced help, and lack of repair parts—and a hundred other worries with little relief in sight. For these and other reasons of wartime problems I will be more than glad to do anything I can to help along the Chicago convention.

We have been very busy all season and prospects indicate no let-up. We have experienced a lot of extremely cold weather here this winter. While most of us have not had any bug trouble so far, we all are on the watch for some to show up any day when it warms up again.

Mr. Ramage of the Crookston Mlg. Co. had to quit late last year on account of his health.

Have my heart set on the SOGES Chicago convention.—Wm. J. Porter, Grand Forks, N. D.

PROGRAM EXCELLENT

I think the Omaha convention was very good. The program was excellent and I am sure that everybody enjoyed renewing old friendships and making new ones. . . . There are a couple of things to which we might give consideration in regard to next year's program, namely not quite so many speeches, and the time used in these speeches taken up in general discussion.

We had some pretty good things brought out in our forums those two afternoons in Omaha and I had a feeling that we did not finish the discussion. The second point is that it might be a good idea to make a "Corn Section" so that the boys who find corn handling such a headache can get together and discuss their problems.

They would feel more free if they knew they were not taking up the time of the members in attendance who are not particularly interested in their discussions. . . . The difficulty here would be to find something that we could discuss which would not be of interest to the corn men while they were holding forth.—R. B. Pow, Reliance Grain Company, Ltd., Fort William, SOGES vice president.

WANTS CONVENTION IN CALIFORNIA

I WAS very disappointed at not being able to attend the Omaha convention and might say that I had all plans made to be there. As long as the date is set anywhere around the opening of navigation it makes it impossible for some of us to get away. As you know, navigation opened very early this year which is something that could not have been taken into account when the date was set the year previous.

We are of the opinion that it should be either in March or left over until

summer . . . or how about having the convention in California some year along about the middle of February? —Jack Gibson, Hallet & Carey, Ltd., Fort William.

Convention Benefits Everyone

I do think that everyone attending the SOGES conventions derives a lot of good from them. I know as for myself I have received a lot of good ideas and the fact that you have an opportunity to meet the other fellows and listen to their problems always adds something to your education.—Lewis Inks, Quaker Oats Co., Akron, Ohio.

Contacts Invaluable

The contacts we have all made at these SOGES conventions have been so worth while that none of us wish to lose them. The only way we can keep going, in my opinion, is to carry on normally as far as possible. Everything must of course take second place to the winning of the war.—Jack Smith, Sarnia (Ont.) Elevator Co., Ltd.

FINE IN EVERY WAY

I, too, enjoyed the Omaha convention very much and believe it was one of the best conventions we have had with some very good talks. I think it was very well attended, considering

everything.—R. E. Garber, Enid (Okla.) Elevator Corporation.

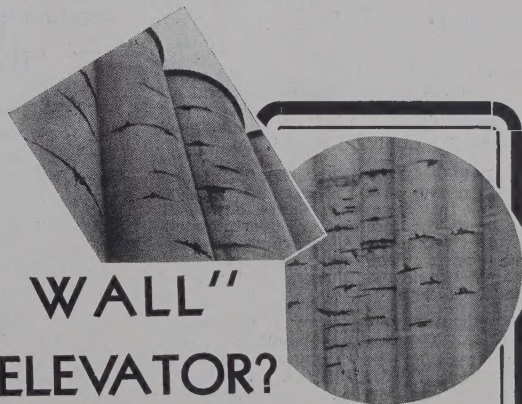
LOOKING TOWARDS CONVENTION

I have heard from Mr. Andrew Rankine of the Canada Malting Company, Ltd., of Montreal, and just returned from Winnipeg where I saw Mr. J. E. Grant of the same company. Suggested we should like to see both he and Mr. Rankine make the Chicago convention, and it would seem that there is every possibility that they might do this.

Inasmuch as Saturday is the heavy rail travel day of the week, we could still return from our Thursday-Friday-Saturday convention on Sunday night. Or, if the majority would prefer, we might move our dates up to Wednesday-Thursday-Friday. However, there is so little difference between the Friday and the Sunday night volume of traffic that our present dates of March 25-26-27th would seem best. Let's hear from others.—Percy C. Poulton, N. M. Paterson & Co. Ltd., Fort William, SOGES Director.



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EDGAR HOOVER SAYS: "HUSH!"

"Careless talk is damaging to our cause," warns J. Edgar Hoover, Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, in asking everyone's assistance in ceasing to repeat all varieties of rumors. "Even small bits of knowledge dropped innocently was a source of information to a spy ring that the FBI has just rounded up," he cites. "The espionage agents and saboteurs arrested by the FBI thus far have been clever and unscrupulous. We know that they are highly trained and are experts in the art of gathering information. They have sought small bits of information, though seemingly unimportant, to piece together and thus get a picture of developments.

"The only way to prevent information from spreading is to keep it to yourself. A man can have more pride in what he knows and does not tell than in what he tells to prove he knows it." The who, what, why, where, when and how of any primary or secondary activity might best be forgotten as far as the next set of ears go. The fact that there have been 250 per cent more grain handling and processing plants burn or blow up should be sufficient evidence that "mum's the word!"

EMPLOYMENT BUREAU

HELP WANTED

COUNTRY ELEVATOR MANAGER WANTED: Must be experienced in buying, handling and selling grain, mixing feed and merchandising in one-ton mixer plant, and have knowledge of general office bookkeeping and procedure necessary. Address B30H, Adams Employment Agency, Board of Trade, Chicago.

SUB-FOREMEN WANTED: Want several men who have possibly had some experience in larger grain plants, but would not be in the foremen or superintendent class. Opportunity of learning business and working way up. Address B31H, Adams Employment Agency, Board of Trade, Chicago.

MILLWRIGHT WANTED: Man who is experienced in repairing and keeping in good condition feed milling and elevator equipment. Address B29H, Adams Employment Agency, Board of Trade, Chicago.

COMPETENT GENERAL SUPT. WANTED: for grain operation in mill. Must have good recommendations. Address B32H, Adams Employment Agency, Board of Trade, Chicago.

ASST SUPER WANTED: Man who can take charge of our elevator, doing unloading of bulk feeds and grain, grinding and blending. Must know feed milling equipment, corn cracking rolls, etc., and how to handle them, be hard worker, and draft exempt. Must have right control over men under him. Have in mind about \$225. Living conditions ideal, inexpensive. Address C25H, Adams Employment Agency, Board of Trade, Chicago.

EXPERIENCED FLOUR MILL men of good repute wanted as sweepers, oilers, roll tenders, spouters and smutters. Must be type willing to learn and anxious to advance. Trial starting rate 67c. If man has aptitude we advance rapidly and pay accordingly. No liquor. Address B41H, Adams Employment Agency, Board of Trade, Chicago.

ASK FOR DEFERMENT OF KEY MEN NOW

It is better for all concerned to file forms requesting the deferment of key employees before they are drafted than afterwards. Lewis B. Hershey, Washington, Director of the Selective Service System, in Occupational Bulletin No. 20, certifies that food processing is an activity essential to the support of the war effort. In Release No. 115 to local draft boards key employees engaged in the production of flour and other grain mill products, prepared feeds for animals and fowls, starch, cereals, corn syrup and edible fats and oils are among those who should be deferred. Cost accountants, foremen, formula makers, production superintendents, mill operators and others previously referred to are included.

Occupations requiring a reasonable degree of training, qualification, or skill to perform the duties involved in order that the activity may maintain efficient production are set forth to be considered as necessary for the war effort. "Important occupations in food processing which must be filled by persons capable of performing the duties involved and which require six months or more of training and preparation" and (2) "the availability of persons with such qualifications or skill, or who can be trained to such qualifications in order to replace the registrant" and (3) "the time in which such replacement can be made" are listed as determining factors.

CONSERVE PAPER! CORRECT YOUR ADDRESS TODAY

WAR efforts require a 10 per cent reduction in paper used in this and other publications. Therefore it is mandatory that your assistance be given in correcting any improper address, not only on the wrapper in which this month's issue came to you, but everything else of importance to you as well. (Refuse to accept delivery of those mailings in which you are not interested so that the sender may help save paper, too.) Quite a few have written us offering to do their bit through sharing their copies of "GRAIN" with others in their plants previously on the mailing list. This is quite commendable and should spread further.

In face of further slashes in publication paper, rumored all the way to 40 per cent of last year's tonnage, it appears likely that one standard size will come into use shortly, somewhat smaller than our present size. Columns of type will have to be shortened, margins narrowed, typographical niceties eliminated, abbreviations used, capital letters replaced by lower case, and lots of other editorial and mechanical alterations made.

One of the first considerations confronting this publication is the elimination from our mailing lists of those

Considering the avalanche of inquiries "GRAIN" has received we wish to again urge following the above and previous recommendations before it is too late.

OVERTIME EXEMPTIONS CLARIFIED

Overtime exemptions are applicable only to (1) those groups of employees who actually perform handling and processing of seasonal agricultural commodities, and (2) those groups of employees whose occupations are a necessary incident to the described operations and who work solely in those portions of the premises devoted by their employer to the described operations. Office employees, watchmen, maintenance workers and warehousemen are included, according to USDL Release No. 1892.

Cannot Boost Wages

Unless you can show that increases are necessary to correct substandard wages, inequalities or gross inequities, you cannot grant a general wage increase to employees exceeding 15 per cent above payments on Jan. 1, 1941, WPB rules on increases.

Facilitating Overtime Pay

Reduced hourly wages may be agreed upon with employees—and overtime wages at the reduced rates—without violating the Wage & Hour Law—so long as legal minimums are observed.

few who have repeatedly overlooked paying their subscription bill. The dollar a year in the case of any periodical pays for only a few issues, if that many, but does give the publishers a lower postage rate if his is a paid circulation. We, perhaps, can make up this initial 10% paper cut by chopping off some names. This we will do—we must. If you wish to continue receiving "GRAIN" then send in your dollar, giving us any changes in the addresses of copies or copy now received.

In the past we have attempted to reach every terminal and sub-terminal grain handling plant, including feed, starch, malt, cereal, soybean, linseed, and the grain departments of flour mills, breweries, distilleries, yeast plants, etc. The managerial and superintendent addresses will eventually, we think, have to share copies through joint addressing. This will come with the next slash. So will the elimination of wrappers.

We've a war to win. Please check your address on this month's wrapper and inform us of any errors, unnecessary copies, possible combination mailing, etc. A penny post card will suffice. Thank you. Hitler's finish is that much closer for your co-operation.

CAPITALISM

By WILLIAM FEATHER

In my philosophy I accept the capitalistic system as the best that has so far been discovered. Despite its weaknesses, many of which were exposed by the recession, I believe that it is through capitalism that the common man can most surely obtain a high standard of living and the realization of his highest ideals. I hold that the most precious of all human blessings is freedom of choice. Although the privilege is expensive, I doubt that the average man would care to trade it, even for the greater security of job and income.

In my opinion, capitalism is self-reforming because it is motivated by self-interest. Its survival at the moment is contingent on a wide and more equitable distribution of income. No new laws are necessary to achieve this desirable evolution. Growth and justice are inherent in the system. Capitalists will do the right thing because it is the profitable thing.



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First Gal: "So is your maid."

TIN CAN WHEAT DAMAGED

A good deal of the wheat that was stored in steel bins and frame granaries in Southwestern Kansas has been badly damaged, states a report from Dodge City. The damage is showing up when bins are opened to take out government wheat sold for feed.

Air in the bins condenses when warm atmosphere from underneath hits the cold wheat on top and the top begins forming a crust or caking, according to A. W. Erickson, Minneapolis crop reporter, who is making an inspection. "In larger bins, after the top has caked over, preventing the air from escaping, the temperature rises fast. In some large buildings where as much as 70,000 to 100,000 bu. have been stored in one large room the temperature under the cake, then 12 to 14 inches thick, rose to 104° and 108°. Wheat at such a high temperature is frequently called 'sick' and often the government inspectors condemn it, branding it 'unfit for human consumption.'"—B. J. M.

Moisture Favorable

Highly favorable for another bountiful harvest in 1943 is the soil moisture factor, says the Cargill crop bulletin in discussing current crop prospects. The heavy drain of last year's crops on the fertility of the land may, however, affect production. Prospects at this early date seem very encouraging in most sections of the country.

WANTS YOUR MANILA ROPE

Your Manila rope is sorely needed by the government. It is the only kind strong enough to do certain jobs for the Army, Navy and Maritime commission. There are still considerable quantities in the country and Uncle Sam wants to buy all the excess. Rope from 3/16ths inch or more by 200 ft. long or more is wanted. A 10% premium over cost is offered. Murray Cook, 155 E. 44th St., NYC, is agent for the government.

GRAIN MOVEMENT BREAKING RECORDS

Rail movements of grain and grain products are running at a higher rate than ever before for this season of the year, and in fact are heavier than at harvest time in mid-summer of 1942, an analysis of the weekly carloadings statements of the Association of American Railroads reveals.

During the 10 weeks from Dec. 5, 1942, through Feb. 6, 1943, loadings of these commodities totaled 464,937 cars, or 14.8% above the corresponding period a year ago, and 7.4% more than in the peak grain-loading period from June 6 through Aug. 8, 1942.

Present heavy loadings of our products are due to greatly increased movements of grains to flour mills and to distilleries for the manufacture of alcohol for war production, and also to the acceleration of the Lend-Lease program. Carloadings are reported as, for the weeks ending:

	1943	1942	1941
Feb. 6	52,024	41,317	28,730
Jan. 30	49,952	47,629	30,507
Jan. 23 ...	45,220	47,201	30,772
Jan. 16. ...	53,351	45,737	31,295

WHEAT GRIND UP FOR '42

For the year 1942, 1,085 mills ground 495,313,995 bu. wheat as compared with 1,096 grinding 482,339,240 bu. the year previous, states USDC. Of this former amount, 152 mills over 1,000 bbls. capacity ground 366,839,365 bu., 289 mills between 200 and 1,000 bbls., ground 106,470,811 bu., and 644 mills of 200 bbls. or under ground 22,003,819 bu.

Iowans Start Protein Saving Campaign

Under the auspices of the Des Moines Feed, Flour & Seed club a well planned campaign on conserving protein feed is going out to everyone concerned with the feed and food front. "With a demand for 11,700,000 tons of high protein feeds, minerals and vitamins for the present year, only 9,516,000 tons are now in sight," warns B. E. Stolpe of Sargent & Co.

NEW HIGH FOR CORN GRIND

For January, 10,618,677 bus. of corn were ground for domestic purposes by corn refiners, as compared to 10,469,011 bu. last month, and 10,118,141 bu. a year ago, reports the Corn Industries Research Foundation.

"GRAND OLD MAN" DIES

James S. Graves, 80, General Manager of the Capital Elevator Co. since its formation, passed on recently from a heart attack. One of the Northwest's pioneer grain men, Mr. Graves had been in the grain business all of his life. Starting out with his own elevator in Howard Lake, Minn., he soon moved to Minneapolis where he became a partner in the Graves, May Grain Co. In 1905 he transferred his activities to Duluth, retiring Aug. 1, 1941.

One son, Hollis F., well known in Superintendents' circles, and two grandsons, James S., Jr., and Hollis F., Jr., all in the grain business, survive him. Hollis, Sr., is General Superintendent of the Capital Elevator interests. James, Jr., is Superintendent of Capital Elevator No. 4, and Hollis Jr. is Assistant Superintendent of Capital No. 6 elevator.

Mr. Graves was "a grand old man" and had his health right until his attack. He was one of the old school and a rare and fine gentleman.

Lifting Test Weight: Smashes Toe

"About the most foolish accident I've ever heard of," reports one contestant in the SOGES safety contest, "occurred when an employee was helping lift 50 lb. test weights to a rack used in testing our scales. In turning around he hit a weight that was not set far enough back on the rack and it dropped about 2 ft., hitting him on the big toe. His toe was smashed. He lost 3 weeks. It could happen to anyone."



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THINKING ABOUT AN ANNEX?

THE coming grain harvest stalks its mammoth head into everyone's thoughts about this time of year. With the record-breaking carry-overs bulging present facilities it is logical to consider early the problem of new storage.

True, steel and other needed metals are on the "critical" list and almost impossible to obtain. However, an announcement from the Arch Roof Construction Co. will hearten many who have had to postpone expansion plans until now.

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Already highly successful in dozens upon dozens of adaptations, this type addition wastes practically no space. Due to design innovations such an addition can more readily meet otherwise prohibitive conditions prevailing than stereotype construction which once built can never be moved or salvaged without a large loss. Plans and designs already submitted to interested parties indicate wide interest and a soaring demand for this inexpensive type annex—which, if desired, could readily be combined with a headhouse and function beautifully. Prompt action is urged.

Lehnus Succeeds Thiessen

Orland W. Lehnus is now sup't. of the elevator division of General Foods, Inc., Kankakee, Ill. He succeeds Walter Thiessen, who held that post since the plant was placed in operation.

Poor Guy Gets Crowned

WORD has leaked out that the presidency of the Industrial Editors' Association, Chicago, which also includes a board of governors seat in the National Council of Industrial Editors' Associations, went to one of the members of the staff of "GRAIN." No confirmation has been received, after repeated questioning, however, as the recipient is doubtless too weak to mix particulates or split infinitives with this humble reporter.

Representing the Society of Grain Elevator Superintendents of which he is Secretary, Dean M. Clark has been appointed a member of the Dust Explosion Hazards Committee of the National Fire Protection Association.

WARTIME MANPOWER PROBLEMS

Ever increasing employment problems have prompted the Minneapolis Chapter SOGES to devote their February 23rd meeting to the discussion of "Wartime Manpower Problems," states an attractive announcement issued in behalf of the Chapter by the Appraisal Service Company. J. M. Griffin, War Manpower Commissioner, U. S. Employment Service, will lead the discussion.

THREE PRINCIPAL REASONS FOR COSTLY EXPERIENCES

SOME accidents happen because machinery and equipment is not well guarded, thus presenting a hazard, Dr. R. E. Hultkrans told the monthly occupational safety conference of elevators and mills in Minneapolis on Jan. 18th. The makeup of the individual is the second—for some workers are more prone to mishap than others. And the third is health.

Men who are often hurt lack coordination, so if any worker has many injuries he should be given a mental examination. Dr. Hultkrans further urged the widening of physical examination requirements. When men not in good physical condition are permitted to work an injustice is done both to industry itself as well as to its men. "It is much wiser to learn of physical disabilities before an accident than after," he warned.

Rehabilitation starts immediately after an accident is experienced, in Dr. Hultkrans' opinion, and commences with proper medical attention—for even a scratch often leads to serious infection if not cared for correctly and promptly. Qualified

nurses should be called to treat minor injuries whenever possible, due to the demands being made on the time of medical men because of the war.

K. C. MANAGERS ENTERTAIN SUPS

Royally entertained by their managers on Jan. 19, the Kansas City SOGES Chapter chalked up another highly successful joint meeting in their long series of managers-superintendent affairs. Despite the fact that the mercury stood at 14 below, some 75 gathered for a most enjoyable repast.

Skipper Oscar T. Cook, who specializes in skunk-odor wheat, was master of ceremonies. Roy Swenson led the millers in their theme song: "Down By The Old Mill Stream." Various and hilarious other songs were sung by the group. An "obscure" Missouri State grain inspector, whose name we did not learn, accompanied on the piano.

Skipper Cook then introduced Col. Ruby Garrett, well known attorney of Kansas City, who was a Commander in the famous Rainbow Division in World War No. 1. Col. Garrett did some reminiscing which refreshed memories of many of his listeners. A personal friend of Gen. MacArthur and Eddie Rickenbacker, Col. Garrett read some intimate letters from them. He also displayed a check from "Rick" in payment of a golf loss.

The Superintendents of the Kansas City chapter say: "Hats off to our Managers, and many thanks for the swell entertainment."—O. B. Duncan, Salina Terminal Elevator Co., sec'y. (P. S.—Maybe by our next meeting we will learn the name of the pianist.)



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NOMINATIONS: Oscar W. Olsen, Globe Elevator Division, F. H. Peavey & Co., Duluth, chairman;

Jim Kier, Standard Milling Co., Kansas City;

Ed Raether, Chamber of Commerce, Minneapolis;

Wm. Gassler, Rosenbaum Brothers, Chicago;

Harold Wilber, A. E. Staley Mfg. Co., Decatur, Ill.;

Ralph Garber, Enid (Okla.) Elevator Corp., and

Herb Sales, Updike Grain Corp., Omaha.

RESOLUTIONS: Vice President R. B. Pow, Reliance Grain Co., Ltd., Fort Williams, chairman;

Jerry Lacy, Westcentral Co-operative Grain Co., Omaha;

Lewis Inks, Quaker Oats Co., Akron, O.;

Vincent Shea, Van Dusen-Harrington Co., Minneapolis, and

Frank Carlson, Occident Terminal Division, Russell-Miller Milling Co., Duluth.

AUDITING: Walter H. Teppen, Occident Terminal Division, Russell-Miller Milling Co., Duluth, chairman;

Jack Coughlin, Brooks Elevator Corp., Minneapolis;

Roy Heinrikson, Terminal Grain Corp., Sioux City;

John Goetzinger, Rosenbaum Brothers, Omaha, and

Cliff Steiner, Central Soya Co., Decatur, Ind.

THINKING ABOUT CONVENTION

Have been thinking about the SOGES convention which is supposed to be held in Chicago during March. Are we planning on going ahead with it this year?

I do think that everyone attending these conventions derives a lot of good from them. I know as for myself I have received a lot of good ideas and the fact that you have an opportunity to meet the other fellows and listen to their problems always adds something to your education.

In case I can do anything to assist in the convention, providing it is held, I will be only too glad to do it.—Lewis Inks, The Quaker Oats Co., Akron, Ohio.

Hundredweight Instead of Bushel?

Since the 196# bbl. flour is soon to be just a memory there is agitation in some quarters for the elimination of the 60# bu. for wheat. The hundredweight basis is advocated and endorsed by the National Conference on Weights and Measures. Trading in grain futures would be conducted in units of 100 lbs. or tons.

Frank Beyer Better

Word from Frank Beyer, retired Super of the Grand Trunk Pacific Elevator at Fort William, indicates he is recovering from his recent illness, and, "like an old war horse of the fire brigade I don't seem able to take it easy—I must keep going or go daffy. I am working as an engineer on night duty and to keep busy at something keeps me feeling better. In these days when this cock-eyed world is in a turmoil I feel that every little helps toward the end for victory," he writes. "I have had no word of the next SOGES convention which will be held in early Spring and would be glad to get some information on the matter."

CHRISTENSEN TO BOARD

Paul H. Christensen, General Superintendent of Van Dusen-Harrington Co., Minneapolis, and SOGES President last year, was elected a member of the Executive Board of the Food Section of the National Safety Council at their annual Congress held in Chicago last month.

Paul Blodget, Safety Director of Arcady Farms Milling Co., Chicago, was also elected, but had to resign due to moving to Springfield, Ill., where he is now Plant Manager of Weidlocher & Sons.

Odd Dumper Mishap

The door of the car which was on the dumper slid shut during one of the unloading operations and in attempting to push it open the operator slipped and severely bruised his leg on the operating platform.

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WHEELHORSES SIGN 23 NEW MEMBERS FOR SOGES

FEELING an increasing need for the solving of newly arising technical problems confronting plants falling in their category has been responsible for an increase of 23 new members within the past six months, according to R. B. Pow, Reliance Grain Co., Ltd., Fort William, First Vice President of the Society of Grain Elevator Superintendents. And "to give credit where credit is due" Mr. Pow enumerates those turning in these new memberships in the order received, which are:

- 1 Charles F. Walker, Archer-Daniels-Midland Co., Council Bluffs.
- 3 Ted Manning, Uhlmann Grain Co., Kansas City.
- 1 Ward Combs, Presto-X-Co., Omaha.
- 2 Paul Christensen, Van Dusen-Harrington Co., Minneapolis.
- 2 Gilbert P. Lane, Arcady Farms Milling Co., Riverdale.
- 1 Emil Buelens, The Glidden Co., Chicago.
- 1 Harley J. Hixson, Continental Grain Co., Kansas City.
- 1 Lou Rendell, Pratt Food Co., Hammond.
- 1 Ed Josephson, Albert Schwill & Co., Chicago.
- 2 Fred Sibbald, National Grain Co., Ltd., Fort William.
- 2 O. B. Duncan, Salina Terminal Elevator Co., Kansas City.
- 1 Herbert C. Brand, Quaker Oats Co., Cedar Rapids.
- 1 Jack Smith, Sarnia (Ont.) Elevator Co., Ltd.
- 1 Vincent Shea, Van Dusen-Harrington Co., Minneapolis.
- 1 James Mackenzie, Three Rivers (Que.) Grain & Elevator Co., Ltd.
- 1 Milton M. Martin, Vitality Mills, Inc., Chicago.
- 1 Jim Kier, Standard Milling Co., Kansas City.

SUGGEST SOGES NAME-CHANGE

PRESIDENT Gilbert P. Lane, Arcady Farms Milling Company plant manager, Riverdale, Ill., is canvassing a cross section of the Superintendent Society's membership for suggestions on improving the association's name—which many feel has already been outgrown due to the scope and breadth of its membership. Some of the suggestions are given herewith, and should they suggest others to you, won't you kindly write President Lane?

Society of Grain Processing Superintendents.—Jack R. Coughlin, Brooks Elevator Corporation, Minneapolis.

Grain Superintendents Society.—Harold C. Wilber, A. E. Staley Mfg. Company, Decatur, Ill.

Society of Superintendents of Grain Industries.—Edward E. Frauenheim, Jr., Buffalo (N. Y.) Forwarding Corporation.

Grain Elevator Superintendents and Processors.—Jim Kier, Standard Milling Company, Kansas City.

Cereal Handling Superintendents.—Charles F. Walker, Archer-Daniels-Midland Company, Council Bluffs.

Society of Grain Superintendents—Elevator, Milling and Processing.—R. B. Pow, Reliance Grain Company, Ltd., Fort William.

Society of Grain Elevator Superintendents and Allied Industries.—Paul H. Christensen, Van Dusen-Harrington Company, Minneapolis.

Storage, Feed and Mill Superintendents' Guild.—Vincent A. Shea, Van Dusen-Harrington Company, Minneapolis.

Society of Grain Elevator & Allied Industries Superintendents.—Ed J. Raether, Superintendent of Buildings, Chamber of Commerce, Minneapolis.

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ON BEING FRIENDLY

(Or Why I Should Join the SOGES)

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Being friendly is a tonic,
Which the more you give, you get;
Being friendly is a duty,
Often to the four winds hurled,
Though the Great Creator planned it
That this should be a friendly world.
—Anna Printzlaw Bowen.

EXPLOSION A MYSTERY

Corn Products Refining Co., Pekin, Ill., experienced a dust explosion in its Amigel department which blew out the dust collector and did approximately \$10,000 damage. Long ardent sticklers for all dust explosion prevention measures, no cause can be definitely attributed as having started the blast. However, it is reasoned that either static or a metal particle must have originated the initial spark. As evidence of the ideal conditions prevailing, there was no propagation of flame, states Frank A. Hasse, company authority on such problems.

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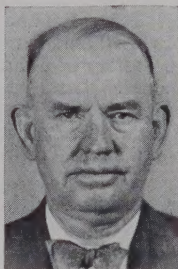
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BILL FEEMSTER WRITES:

HAVE changed my address to 6309 Weidner Avenue, Baltimore, but "GRAIN" always finds me. Can't tell you how much I enjoy reading about the boys and their doings. And when



I read of a coming convention or get-together of the clan anywhere it gives me a longing to dust off the old bag, throw in my p.j.s., tooth brush, razor and such like and hit the trail so as to be one of those present once more.

I am so out of touch with the grain business that I can't tell much news except perhaps that the Baltimore grain elevators are all full and have been loading quite a few relief cargos of wheat for Switzerland (hope they get there).

Mrs. Feemster and I are enjoying good health, and our youngest boy is in the service somewhere overseas—doing what he can to put Hitler and the Japs where they belong. Please give my best to everyone.—H. William Feemster, retired, formerly Superintendent of the Western Maryland Elevator, Baltimore.

SAYS MOST HELPFUL

Thank you very much for sending me copies of the SOGES Safety Manual. This is indeed very interesting and most useful.—Frank A. Theis, President, Simonds - Shields - Theis Grain Co., Kansas City, Mo.

Have You an Extra R.R. Watch?

Anyone having a railroad watch which he does not use for essential purposes can contribute to the war effort by selling it for railroad use, WPB suggests. An acute shortage of these exact timepieces exists. Your retail jeweler or railroad watch inspector will give details.

SCHAEDIGER RETIRES

REGARDLESS of my current retirement, in accordance with the rules of Corn Products Refining Company, I do want to tell the members of SOGES that I have enjoyed being connected with this splendid organization. I only wish I could have been more active, because grain elevators and the necessary equipment to prevent fires and dust explosions are still the most important factors involved for their safe operation.

Although pensioned I will gladly continue to represent the SOGES on the Conveyor Standardizations Committee of the ASME, etc., and will try to do the best I can, as heretofore.

I wanted to drive out west and personally visit you all, however gas rationing and the tire situation have changed my plans.—William F. Schaediger, 8521 Hudson Boulevard, North Bergen, N. J.



DAN LONEY DIES

WILLIAM DAN LONEY, long an active SOGES member, and widely acquainted through participation in convention proceedings, died unexpectedly on Feb. 4. While he had been in ill health since December, when he was confined to the hospital for six weeks, he returned to his office at the Ogilvie Flour Mills after recuperating at home on Feb. 1. Driving home to lunch, Dan's car stalled. He was attempting to get it started when he was seized with a sudden heart attack. Removed to the hospital, he died shortly afterwards.

Long Superintendent for Ogilvie, Dan had been a resident in Fort William for forty of his sixty-four years. Born near Stratford, Ont., he had always been interested in elevator work. It was in 1904 that he became foreman for Ogilvie, only to be promoted to the superintendency three years later.

V. L. Maclean, Manager of the company, paid tribute to the fine worth of Dan Loney. "His place will be most difficult to fill, not only in the mill, but in the community. He was respected widely, not only by officials

of the company, but by the men under him. His death is a great shock to us all." Mr. Loney had been active in church, Masonic lodge, and athletic activities all his life.

Representatives of various grain companies at the Lakehead attended the funeral. The active pallbearers were: Archie Bruce, Allan Robinson, Roy Gunn, E. E. Luck, Dan McDonald and Murdock McKay. Honorary pallbearers were H. S. Sellers (western manager of the Ogilvie Flour Mills, of Winnipeg), R. B. Pow, V. W. Maclean, J. A. Spears, Alex McNaughton and D. E. McKay. As a tribute to the deceased the flag at the plant was flying at half-mast.

His widow, one daughter Loraine, three brothers and two sisters survive him.

"Dan was a regular attendant at SOGES conventions," writes R. B. Pow, "and his presence was always an addition to any gathering. He traveled with me from here to the SOGES Omaha convention and back last Spring and I thoroughly enjoyed every minute of his company." We all shall miss him.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

William J. Porter, Russell-Miller Milling Co., Grand Forks, N. D., will say "Howdy" to the stork on March 7th.

Emil Buelens, The Glidden Co., Chicago, promises to pull a plum out of the birthday "pie" on March 23rd.

Gordon Clark, Flanley Grain Co., Sioux City, Ia., says he's not going to miss blowing out a candle on March 27th.

Expects Dividends from Joining

We are enclosing application for regular membership and also our check. We believe we are going to secure quite a bit of information and help by belonging to the SOGES.—E. W. Engberg, Iowa Milling Co., Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

WARD COMBS TO SAN DIEGO

Ward Combs, SOGES member of Omaha, has been placed in the Hospital corps for chemical warfare training. In addition, intensive training in several other important fields is given during the six-weeks course.

While home on leave following completion of "boot" training at Great Lakes he "saw most of the elevator boys and it sure felt good to get some grain dust in my lungs." His address is U.S.N. Training School, Hospital Corps., Company 8, San Diego, Calif.

Succumbs to Sunshine

A second Kansas City Super has answered the call of California's climate. First it was Tom Emmert of Standard Milling Co., and now it is Robert N. Whinery of B. C. Christopher & Co.'s Bulte elevator, according to O. B. Duncan, K. C. SOGES Chapter Secretary with Salina Terminal Elevator Co.

DINNER-DANCE WELL ATTENDED

The seventh annual ladies' night dinner-dance was a record breaker for the Minneapolis SOGES chapter. Held Feb. 6, chapter sec'y James Auld, Hales & Hunter Co., reports 133 in attendance. "Everyone had a real good time."

Feature of the evening was the presentation of an attractive leather bag to Clarence Turning in behalf of the national organization for his splendid work in directing the association's safety contest. Director and past president, Paul Christensen, Van Dusen-Harrington Co., made the presentation.

Clifford MacIver, ass't gen'l sup't. Archer-Daniels-Midland Co., served as toastmaster at the dinner, which featured talks by Clarence Bach, Twin City Trading Co., pres. of the chapter, and Robert Bredt, Fruen Mfg. Co., vice pres.

COUGHLIN IN OXYGEN TENT

Jack Coughlin, Brooks Elevator Corp., Minneapolis, is in the Veteran's hospital, according to word from James Auld and Ed Raether. Jack, long an active SOGES worker, "has been confined since Jan. 29. He was in an oxygen tent for nearly two weeks."



Suffering from a complete collapse of his respiratory organs, he has improved somewhat, but it is going to be an uphill fight. He may be confined for another 3 months. Twin city supers are keeping in close touch, and out of towners are cheering him with letters.

LEAVES FOR FISHING COUNTRY

Ed Josephson, Plant Superintendent of Albert Schwill & Co., maltsters, and President of the Chicago Chapter SOGES, leaves April 1st to become Barley Buyer and Plant Manager of the Schreier Malting Co., Sheboygan, Wis. Long active in SOGES affairs, President Josephson has led his Chapter to new heights and accomplishments during his term of office.

A farewell party will be held in conjunction with the Chapter's March 2nd meeting, according to Emil Buelens of The Glidden Co., Program Chairman. Prexy Josephson states that the frequent streamliner service between Chicago and Sheboygan will enable him to attend all meetings and get him home before midnight, so he doesn't plan on missing a single confab.

Ted Manning Coming Along

Ted Manning, Uhlmann Grain Co., Kansas City, Mo., one of the outstanding past presidents of the SOGES has been confined to the hospital, according to Jim Kier of Standard Milling Co., but is coming along nicely now. His home address for those wishing to drop him a line is 400 E. 73rd Terrace, K. C., Mo.

His Wish Becomes Order

Jack Smith, Sarnia (Ont.) Elevator Co., Ltd., must live a charmed life. While he is a very active Director of the SOGES, Jack also holds important posts in the Eastern Canadian Elevator Association, et al. Gil Lane, SOGES President and Arcady Farms Milling Co. plant manager, tells the story of Jack writing that he would very much like to attend the SOGES Executive Committee meeting but that the passport and other line-crossing difficulties were almost prohibitive. "He hoped," he said, "that both governments would relax all their red-tape crossing deterrents."

"The very next day," recites Gil Lane, "an order went through Washington to eliminate all further passport requirements, calling for only an identification card valid for any number of visits during one year. Apparently all I've got to do now" Prexy Lane allows, "is tell Jack Smith to wish for 500 more SOGES members and we'll get 'em over night."

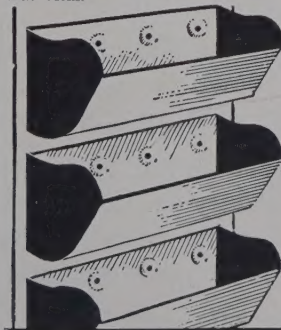
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